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IMPRISONED IN THE MINE.

(From the London Daily News.)

CARDIFF, April 29.—The miners who
for nearly ten days have been locked up
in the flooded colliery of Tynnewydd,
were finally released to-day shortly after
3 o'clock. It was known at the pit's
mouth about 10.30 that the men would
be got out alive. The message which
came up to that effect was received with
rings of cheer by the crowd—cheers
which were repeated from one end of
the village to the other. The coal was
knocked in and a hole was made, every-
body about the workings standing trem-
bling with anxiety, fearing to hear a cry
from the men that the waters were upon
them.

Nothing was heard, and one of the cut-
ting party crept through the hole and
entered the dismal prison-house of his
fellow pitmen, having felt about, and
not finding anyone, he shouted, "Do
not be afraid." "All right!" was the an-
swer, "We are not afraid." The man
felt a rough hand touch him and a pair
of arms were flung around his neck, and
weak voices gave utterance to thank-
fulness that deliverance was at hand. The
boy Hughes was got out first, and then
one by one the men were brought out
and fed and taken to the pit's mouth.
George Jenkins and Moses Rowlands
seemed remarkably strong and walked to
the shaft; the other two men, David
Jenkins, and John Thomas, were in a
very low state, but it is believed that
with care they will recover.

The scene when they landed from the
cage was one of intense excitement. All
five were at once taken to a shed and
carefully attended to by nurses and
doctors. It seems that they had eaten
nothing except a little candle grease
which had run from the box where they
kept the candles, for they did not at-
tempt to eat the candles themselves.
The first two days they had a light, but
unfortunately this went out at the close
of the second day. They suffered ter-
ribly from thirst; but before the light
went out they had noticed some dirty
water, and now and again when their
thirst became intolerable, they drank a
little of that. They did not suffer so
much from hunger after the first day or
two.

They have been buried in their tomb
since April 11th. The progress of the
workers, though really marked by mar-
vellous rapidity, seemed strangely slow
to the public, and fears began to thicken
that the liberation of the imprisoned
men, perhaps deprived of all food or
drinkable water, would come too late.
The interest rose when the knockings
became more distinct; and it culminated
when on Wednesday the working party
heard in good Welsh the words, "Keep to
the right side, you are nearly through."
All sorts of precautions had to be taken
in order to avoid the escape of air and a
repetition of the disaster which resulted
in the death of one miner. Powerful
pumping apparatus and air-tight doors
had to be procured and fitted up; and
the most tantalizing circumstance of all
was that the working party were com-
pelled, in prudence, to slacken their
efforts just as they approached the ob-
jects of their search.

CROWN POINT.

The meeting of Crown Point stock-
holders at Mercantile Library Hall the
other night was largely attended. The
Committee appointed to investigate the
management of the mine made a very
interesting report of their action, and
had some very unwholesome facts be-
fore the meeting. The Committee say
that the result of their labor has been to
confirm the belief that for the past two
years the mine has been run chiefly in
the interest of the Nevada Mill Company,
an organization in which the men who
control the mine are principal owners.
The Committee say that at the time when
the mine ceased to pay dividends there
was sufficient low-grade ore on hand in
the drifts to keep the Company's mill
which is one of the best on the Pacific
coast, at work for ten years; but instead
of working it at a cost of \$7 per ton in
their own mill, the Company had sent it
all to be reduced at an expense of from
\$11 to \$13 per ton, in addition to heavy
charges for freight over 14 miles of rail-
road in which others who direct the af-
fairs of the mine are interested.

The committee produced a letter writ-
ten by the Superintendent, S. L. Jones,
to the President Jacob D. Fry, on the
25th of last January, in which he says
that he ran the low grade ores to the
Nevada Mill because the mill was under
heavy expense when idle; and he thought
they should be kept employed. The
committee also stated that after the
present assessment has been applied to
the debts of the Company there will still
remain a debt of \$65,000, which will
necessitate another assessment of \$1 per
share, if a change is not effected. A
large number of stockholders pledged
their shares, and there are about 35,000
shares that can be relied on at the elec-
tion. —[S. F. Stock Exchange.]

A State Convention of the Currency
reform party of California, is announced
to be held at San Francisco, June 19th.

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NOTHING NEW UNDER THE SUN

Sam Wagner Exposes Some Flagrant
Plagiarisms by Noted American
Humorists.

A Chronicle reporter, walking near
Sam Wagner's bootblackening emporium
this morning, observed a sadder expres-
sion than ever upon the face of that
meditative philosopher, and stopped to
inquire the reason. It was promptly
given. Sam has been devoting his num-
erous spare moments of late to the study
of Oriental literature. He has a little
jest book, written by a sort of Mongolian
Mark Twain, who flourished some de-
cades of centuries ago, while our ances-
ters were yet unborn—ere the walls of
Rome had been traced, or Grecian civil-
ization had begun to dawn, Sam paused
and took breath after this astounding
eruption, and then went on to say that
it made him feel bad to find so many
jokes in this old Chinese jest book—and
in another written by a quaint Turk
some years later—which had in modern
times been palmed off as original by
American humorists. Here is one of
the jokes of the side-splitting Saracen:

"Hodja sent his pupil into a wolf's
hole to capture the young, while he re-
mained on the outside to guard against
the mother. Presently the wolf rushed
up, and Hodja caught it by the tail, pre-
venting it from going in.

"Whence comes this darkness in the
hole?" cried the pupil.

"You will know if the beast's tail
breaks," quoth Hodja.

A MODERN PARALLEL.

Mr. Wagner contended that this hu-
morous narration was obviously the
foundation for the Southern plantation
story about the old darkey and his son,
who went out to hunt and found a cave
with two bear cubs inside. The sable
youth entered to capture the cubs, while
the dusky sire sat outside to watch.
Suddenly approaches in furious haste
the old she bear and plunges into the
hole. The old man grasps the stubby
tail and holds on stoutly.

The boy inside, alarmed, cries: "What
dark de hole dare!—what dark dat hole?"

Responds the old man: "Golly! I
reckon you'll find out what dark de hole
de shyer tail pulls out!"

The similarity of the incidents, a pos-
teriori, was so striking that the reporter
concluded at once in the judgment that
the modern story was a clean steal.
Thereupon Mr. Wagner called attention
to another old Turkish joke:

"Hassa Ogi one day called up the
Sultan, and was continually reminded by
His Majesty that he (the Sultan) was
the supreme ruler of everything. Present-
ly Hassa, who had drank too much,
began to vomit, and while doing so re-
marked: 'Your Highness will at least
allow that I am superintending this dis-
play.'"

This is where Nasby got the story of
the man who was suffering from an over-
loaded stomach when a passerby said:
"Put your finger down your throat,"
which called forth a retort: "I'm boss-
ing this puke."

Mark Twain's famous yarn about Smi-
ley and the jumping frog of Calaveras,
comes curiously enough from an old
Chinese anecdote. In the reign of Nong
Ki ping racing was the popular amuse-
ment, and two mandarins had their en-
tire fortune staked on the result of a race
between two porkers. The night before
the race a man stepped into the yard
where one of the pigs were kept and
threw it lumps of sweet dough, in which
fine pieces of lead had been concealed.
The pig ate a quantity of the dough, and
was so heavily weighted next day that he
lost the race. Filled with sorrow and
amazement at this proof of Mark Twain's
plagiarism, the reporter departed.

ROBBING THE JUSTICE MILLS.

Foot and McLaren, who are accused
of stealing a large quantity of crude bul-
lion from the Pioneer and Devil's Gate
mills, had a preliminary examination in
Dayton yesterday, when McLaren was
remanded for examination next Satur-
day, and Foot was put under \$3,000
bail to appear before the Grand Jury of
Lyon county. It is claimed by the pro-
secution that the parties operated in the
most systematic manner, beginning with
the ore on the dump and ending with the
bullion in bars, stealing at each stage
of the process. All the facts are not
ascertained as yet. It is known, how-
ever, that the stealing was confined to
the Devil's Gate mill. The thieves ex-
tracted from 40 to 80 pounds of crude
bullion from every charge put in the re-
tort. This was worth from \$25 to \$28
to the pound. The bullion stealings not
being sufficient to satisfy their greed of
gain, they also reduced the value of ore
samples from five to ten per cent, below
the average of all other mills crushing
Justice ore. Besides, no tailings were
ever known to come from the Devil's
Gate mill, while Foot had charge of it,
and what has become of them will prob-
ably be made known in a short time. —
[Virginia Chronicle 17th.]

At a meeting of the members of the
Pacific Stock Exchange, held on Tues-
day May 15th, Col. Weller gave some in-
formation relative to the financial con-
dition of the institution. But five fail-
ures had occurred during the year, the
liabilities of which had been promptly
assumed on three days notice by the Ex-
change. In 1876 the sales made by the
exchange amounted to \$87,162,000. The
average of last year had been kept up
until the last two months, when the
sales fell to about \$3,000,000 per month,
showing that for the first ten months of
the year the sales were fully up to those
of last year.

IMPORTANT TO MINERS.

J. A. Williamson, Commissioner of the
General Land office, in reply to an in-
quiry made by A. C. Fisk, of Denver,
Colorado, has rendered a decision of the
highest concern to all who are engaged
in mining upon the public domain:

"In the case presented by Mr. Fisk,
where a party discovered a mine on the
1st of July, sunk a discovery shaft ten
feet in depth, and made record of his
claim on the 28th of August, 1876, the
first annual expenditures should be made
prior to July 1st 1877."

The above decision is important, and
the following requirements and condi-
tions result therefrom:

First. The date of the beginning and
origin of the title to a new lode claim
will be the exact day on which it shall
be first discovered by the uncovering
and disclosing of the same.

Second. The recorded location notice
(or certificate) should, in all cases, state
the date on which the discovery was
made.

Third. The time in which annual ex-
penditures must be made will begin and
end yearly on the date of discovery, not
on the date of record.

Fourth. The work of sinking the dis-
covery shaft ten feet deep, or such por-
tion of said work as shall be performed
after the date of discovery may be ac-
counted as a part, or a whole (as the
case may be), of the first annual expendi-
ture.

Fifth. Claims located prior to Janu-
ary 1st 1872, are not affected by this
ruling. The law of Congress requiring
annual expenditures not having gone
into operation until that date, claims lo-
cated prior thereto were given a full year
to do their assessment work, that is to
say, that these old titles may be re-
presented at any time in the year, between
the first day of January and the last day
of the succeeding December.

Lieutenant W. W. Fleming,* the de-
faulting Quartermaster, arrived Wednes-
day evening in charge of Major Gordon,
Second Cavalry. The Lieutenant was
intercepted at Laramie on his way to the
east. He had obtained twelve days of
absence, and probably have made good
his escape had not certain circumstances
come to the knowledge of his brother
officers at an earlier period than he had
calculated upon. It was found that he
had sold his pay to different parties,
and had multiplied the transaction in a
style not sanctioned by his profession,
and not likely to be beneficial to the
purchasers. An investigation resulted
in the discovery that moneys belonging
to various funds were missing, and a
private soldier who had trusted the
Quartermaster as his banker had a claim
against the fugitive for \$450. The sup-
position is that Fleming will have nearly
\$9,000 to account for, and of this amount
\$6,000 is Government money, \$1,400
prison fund, and \$200 company fund.
A guard from Alcatraz received the
prisoner on his arrival at Oakland wharf,
and the steamer McPherson conveyed
him to the island. He is confined in a
room in the citadel with accommodations
that become his rank, and with pre-
cautions that will hold him in safe keep-
ing until a Court-martial passes upon
his case. It seems that the present
month must elapse before any charge
can be brought against him for selling
his pay, and this offence need not ap-
pear in the specifications against him
should he refund the money before the
pay becomes due. No date has been
fixed for the Court-martial. Fleming
was quite a favorite with the men. He
was liberal in his dealings and courteous
to every one. He gambled, and, being a
fideiary, the temptation was too strong
for him. —[S. F. Call, 18th.]

A RUSSIAN DANCE.—They conducted a sin-
gular kind of dance conducted on the
greens of country villages in Russia.
The dancers stand apart, a knot of young
men here a knot of maidens there, each
sex by itself, and silent as a crowd of
mutes. A piper breaks into a tune, a
youth pulls off his cap and challenges
his girl with a wave and a bow. If the
girl is willing, she waves her handker-
chief in token of assent, the youth ad-
vances, takes a corner of the handker-
chief in his hand and leads his lassie
round and round. No word is spoken
and no laugh is heard. Stiff with cards
and rich with braids, the girl moves
heavily by herself, going round and
round, and never allowing her partner
to touch her hand. The piper goes dron-
ing on for hours in the same sad key
and measure; and the prize of merit in
this "ciroulatng" as the dance is given
by the spectators to the lassie who, in
all that summer revelry has never spoken
and smiled.

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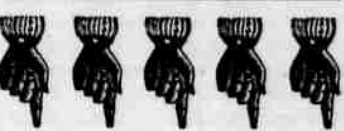
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and improvements thereon, or improvements
when assessed separately, hereinafter described,
known or unknown, you are hereby notified
that suits have been commenced in the Jus-
tice's Court of Pioche Township, Lincoln
county, Nevada, by the State of Nevada, plain-
tiff, against each of the defendants hereinafter
named, and each of the following described
tracts or parcels of land, with the improve-
ments thereon and improvements when sepa-
rately assessed, and all owners or claimants to
said lands, known or unknown, to recover the tax
and delinquency assessed to said defendant
against said property for the fiscal year com-
mencing December 1st, 1876, and ending Decem-
ber 1st, 1877, and that a summons has been duly
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notified that unless you appear and answer the
complaint filed and show cause on or before the
13th day of June, A. D. 1877, judgment will be
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provements hereinafter described for the
amount of taxes and delinquency specified and
costs of suit:

TAX AND DELINQUENCY.

THE BOWERY CONSOLIDATED MILL

AND MINING COMPANY—Fee sim-

ple title to lot on Meadow Valley

street, Pioche, Lincoln county, Ne-

vada, No. 39, block 31. Also improve-

ments on mine known as the Bowery

mine, in Ely District, Lincoln county,

Nevada, consisting of building and

machinery, and known and designat-

ed as the Bowery holdings—worth \$205 16

THE PORTLAND SILVER MINING

COMPANY—Improvements on the

Portland mine, in Ely Mining Dis-

trict, Lincoln county, State of Nevada,

known and designated as Portland

holdings—worth \$11 22

THE KENTUCKY SILVER MINING

COMPANY—The improvements on the

Kentucky mine, known and designat-

ed as the Kentucky holdings—worth, con-

sisting of building and machinery in

Pioche